## <u>REMARKS</u>

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

The present preliminary amendment is submitted to place the above-identified application in more proper format under United States practice.

By the present preliminary amendment, original Claims 1-6 are cancelled and new Claims 7-12 are presented for examination. New Claims 7-12 are deemed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, including original Claims 1-6, are thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter. Further, any differences between new Claims 7-12 and original Claims 1-6 are deemed to at most broaden the scope of new Claims 7-12.

The Abstract has also been amended by the present response to be in more proper format under United States practice.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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## IN THE CLAIMS

--Claims 1-6 (Canceled).

Claims 7-12 (New).

# IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract on page 9 as follows:

#### --ABSTRACT

# [DEVICE FOR FIXING INSTRUMENTS TO AN INSTRUMENT PANEL]

[The]  $\underline{A}$  device for fixing an instrument, such as a liquid crystal display screen, to an instrument panel [(15) comprises, according to the invention,] <u>includes</u> flanges [(9, 10)] formed on the casing [(6)] of the instrument[, these]. <u>The</u> flanges [being] <u>are</u> fixed to the bottom of a recess [(16)] in the instrument panel using captive screws [(12)] fixed to these flanges and nuts [(19)] fixed to the bottom of the recess.--